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For: SEMICONDUCTOR PROCESSING	)	
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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

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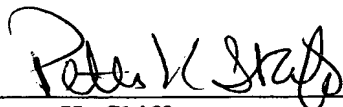
Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated October 6, 2004, it should be noted that Claims 10-18 were canceled in a Preliminary Amendment filed on November 5, 2003. As such, it is respectfully requested that the restriction requirement be withdrawn.

Respectfully submitted,

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